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Universal Ostrich Farms, Part 7: CFIA Responds To Motion To Delay Culling

Ever heard the expression that there's no cure for stupidity?

At this point, it would seem that the most intelligent beings at Universal Ostrich Farms in Edgewood, B.C. are the birds themselves. Unfortunately, this isn't entirely sarcasm.

See Parts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 in the series for more information.

In this specific Motion, the farm owners are asking the Federal Court of Appeal to stay (defer) culling their animals until the overall Appeal can be ruled on. They say there's strong grounds for appeal against the Canada Food Inspection Agency (CFIA). They state that aside from the financial costs, the proceedings become "moot", since the animals would be dead anyway. Sounds reasonable, doesn't it?

Part of their plea is based on the claim that they can manage and quarantine the animals effectively, and at their own cost. In essence, they take the matter seriously, and won't endanger the public. Now, if they want the Justice (whoever decides) to be sympathetic, it stands to reason that they would act responsibly.

But the Affidavit of Cathy Furness changes things. And the arguments are harsh. See parts 1 and 2 of the full Record.

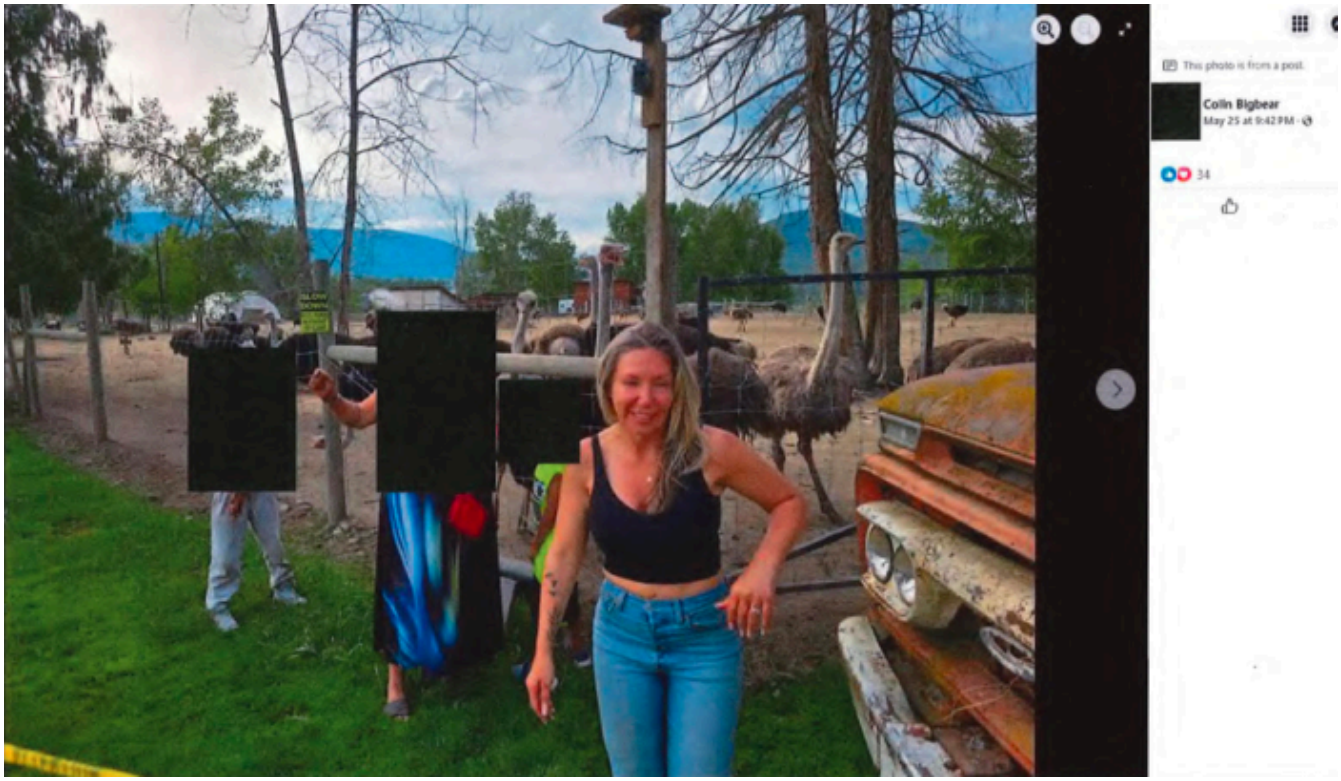
The CFIA has been putting their social media postings into evidence.

Espersen Apparently Sleeps In A Truck In Quarantined Area

> 121. In addition to the above, I have viewed ***social media posts shared by the owners of UOF indicating that Karen Espersen has been sleeping in a vehicle within the quarantined premises, which contravenes the quarantine requirements***. Members of the public have also posted images on social media platforms which demonstrate that they are in very close proximity to ostriches and within the quarantined area. Attached as Exhibit "PP" is a May 14, 2025 Facebook post from Karen Esperson.

One could argue that there's nothing inherently wrong with farmers spending time with their animals, even on this scale. That may be true in general. But when the owners are trying to convince the Federal Courts that they're serious about respecting quarantine rules, this is moronic.

Photos Of Farm Visitors Went Into Evidence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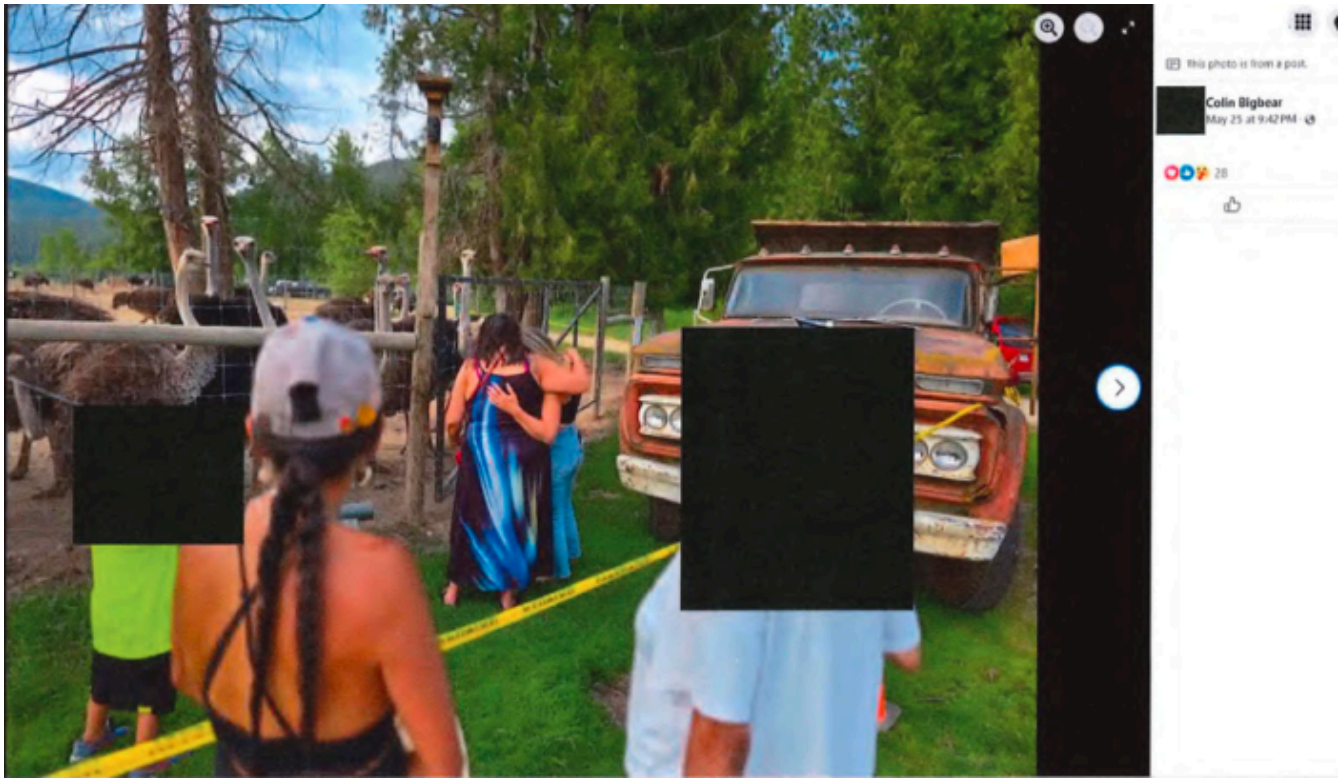
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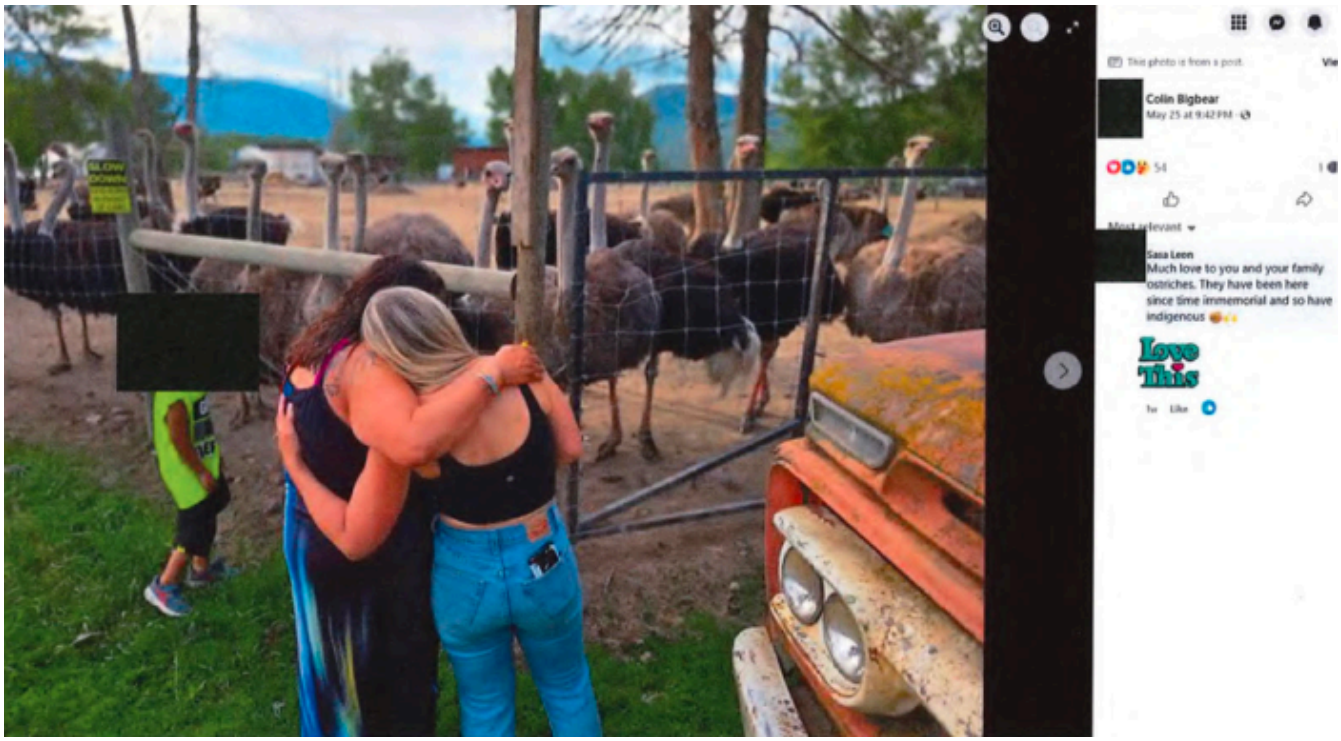
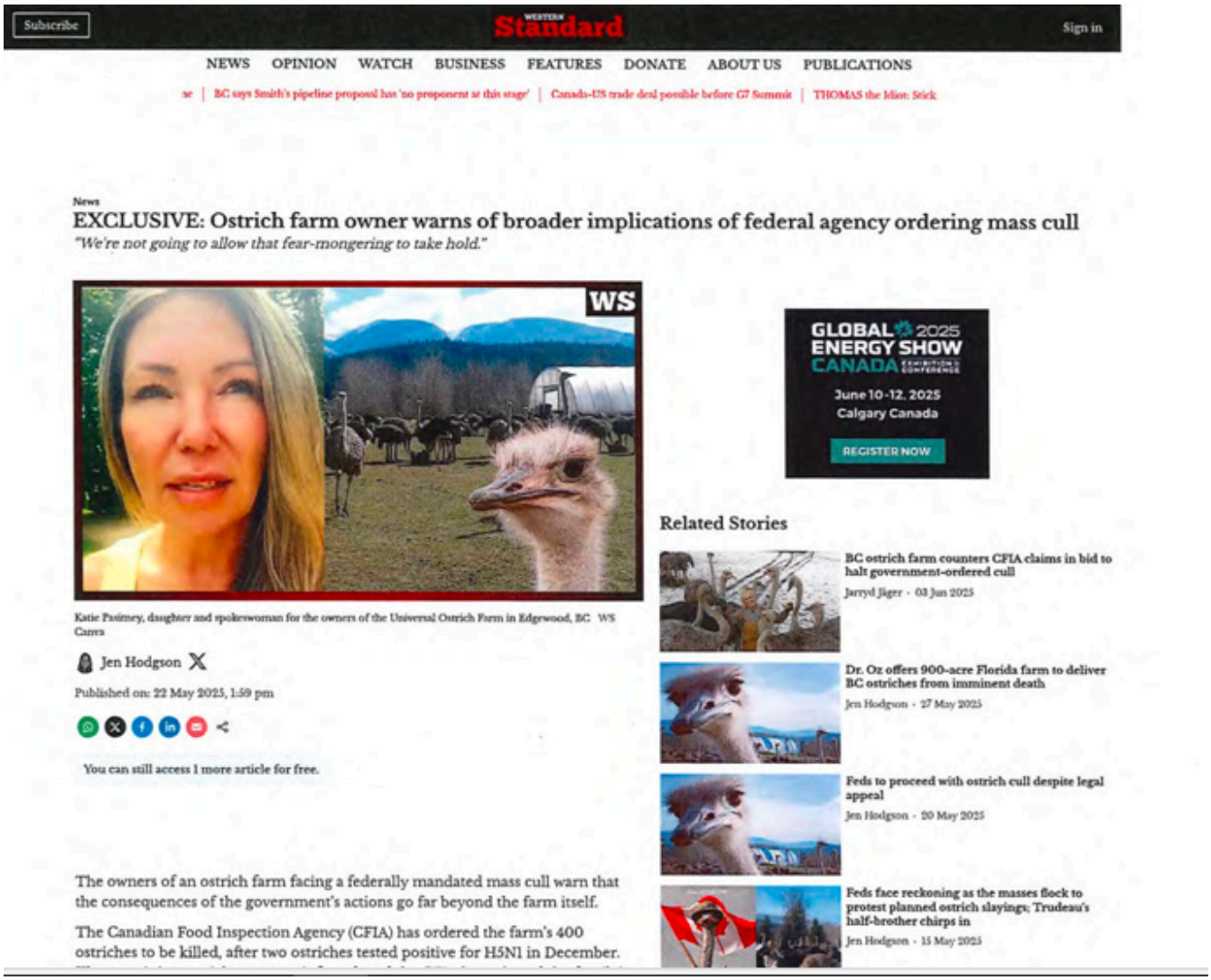


> [para 121 continued] … Attached as Exhibit "QQ" are three photographs posted to Facebook by a member of the public on May 25, 2025 ***showing supporters of UOF, including Karen Esperson's daughter Katie Pasitney, standing in close proximity to the ostriches inside the quarantined area***.

Thanks to Colin Bigbear's Facebook page, the CFIA now has photographs that visitors (including children) routinely visit the farm. Again, all of this went into evidence for the Motion. It's to show that quarantine isn't being taken seriously.

Pasitney's Interviews Were Downloaded By CFIA



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EXCLUSIVE: Ostrich farm owner warns of broader implications of federal agency ordering mass cull

"We're not going to allow that fear-mongering to take hold."

Katie Pasitney, daughter and spokeswoman for the owners of the Universal Ostrich Farm in Edgewood, BC. WS Caera

Jen Hodgson

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The owners of an ostrich farm facing a federally mandated mass cull warn that the consequences of the government's actions go far beyond the farm itself.

The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) has ordered the farm's 400 ostriches to be killed, after two ostriches tested positive for H5N1 in December.

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149. Finally, although the risk of transmission of HPAI to humans is generally considered low, the information described above suggests that the farm owners are not taking the necessary precautions to prevent transmission of the virus to people. ***Katie Pasitney has also publicly stated that she and others have tested positive for H5N1 antibodies. I have reviewed an episode of the "Shadoe Davis Show" posted to Save Our Ostriches' website on May 12, 2025, in which Katie Pasitney states at 00:25:16 that "we've all had our blood tested … and I came back positive for our strain of H5N1 … So we have antibodies***". Katie Pasitney goes on to state that "we have not fallen ill, we're not sick, but we need to start dispelling the fear mongering because people get hospitalized all the time from just the regular flu, right?" This episode is available online https://saveourostriches.com/podcasts/25-05-12-katie-pasitney-shadoe-davis-show/. Also attached as Exhibit "VV" is an ***article from the Western Standard reporting that Katie Pasitney and her family tested positive for H5N1 after exposure to the UOF flock***.

In Furness' Affidavit, she states that Katie Pasitney has stated at least twice to testing positive for antibodies. Once was on the Shadoe Davis Show, and another was with Western Standard.

This is dumb for another reason. Instead of trying to challenge the validity of the tests, they just claim that they're protected. It shuts down a potential defence.

Farm Music Festival Coming Up In July?

Farm Aid Canada? When this was first forwarded, it seemed to be a joke. This *wasn't* included with the Furness Affidavit, likely because the site just went up. Still, it's inevitable that the CFIA will bring it up with the Court at some point.

Additionally, if this Facebook post is to be believed, there's going to be some camping in the area to help raise money for their legal costs.

While this may help raise money, it won't help where it really matters: Court. Events such as these make everyone look clownish and unserious.

CFIA Tells Court They've Received Threats

Union president raises safety concerns for its CFIA members tasked with B.C. ostrich cull

Avian flu means 400 ostriches are set to be culled after court ruled against farm in Edgewood, B.C.

Akshay Kulkarni · CBC News · Posted: May 26, 2025 8:03 PM PDT | Last Updated: May 26

> 100. No in person site visits have occurred since February 26, 2025 due to the risks to staff associated with entering an infected premises where robust disease control and biosecurity measures are not in place, and ***due to safety concerns associated with the presence of protesters. The basis for these safety concerns include numerous threats against CFIA employees made by members of the public on social media who oppose the presence of CFIA oversight at the premises and the destruction of the ostriches, including protesters currently residing on the premises***. I have also reviewed ***emails, text messages and voice mails received by me and other CFIA employees containing threats and/or suggested threats of violence, including against CFIA employees in the Western region that have previously conducted site visits***. Attached as Exhibit "KK" is a May 26, 2025 CBC News article regarding safety concerns raised by the union that represents CFIA workers, including because of online death threats.

Even worse, it makes everyone seem disingenuous. The inspectors state that they cannot return because of threats against staff. Meanwhile, members of the public come and go freely. Now, none of the threats are included, just a CBC article about it. Again, this is from Furness' Affidavit.

Why Are They Still Asking For Donations?

Universal Ostrich Pharm – the real story – THIS IS ALL ABOUT MONEY – NO MATTER THE COST TO PEOPLE OR BIRDS.

500 Million JPY ($4.7 million CDN) to be paid to Tsukamoto in April 2024 by Struthio Bio… but now they need a GoFundMe to save the birds…

Where did all the investors go?
Surely, Dr. Lyle Oberg and his $3 billion investment company could pitch in to save his golden egg.

What happened to the 60 MILLION COVID MASKS (at $0.30 a mask)?

And what about the COVID nasal sprays?

What really happened to the Ostrich COVID vaccine before Immune Bio changed hands?

Where did they get antigens from?
We have seen so many places that they are saying the 'DEAD' COVID virus was obtained…

And Universal Ostrich Pharm had a contract to sell the eggs for $500 to Struthio – SO THAT WAS ALL THEY COULD BE WORTH TO THEM.

Yet Universal Ostrich Pharm's expert, who had reviewed all the material, said each egg could be worth $48K to the farm… Not according to the EXCLUSIVE contract they had with Struthio Bio.

LINKED HERE:
https://canucklaw.ca/wp-content/uploads/UOF-APPEAL-Bilinski-Affidavit-To-Stay-Culling.pdf

Remember to donate and attend the Concert at the Bio Lab to save the lab animals.

Source: David Dickson

Some Final Thoughts

Questions posed in the previous section are worth asking. What has happened to the numerous business ventures that Universal Ostrich Farms was connected to? Why can't those investors put up the money here?

The CFIA argues here that while Justice Battista *did* stay the cull order back in January, the circumstances are not the same. In particular, they were forced to respond to a Motion on less than a full day's notice. However, they can now answer more fully.

Even if they succeed in getting another stay of the culling (which is possible) this is far from the end. Although Appeals typically don't allow new evidence, the CFIA may try to add the social media posts anyway. It's hard to underscore just how damaging this can be.

The responding arguments mention that the issue of "financial conflict of interest" of former counsel isn't expanded upon in this Motion. There's an allegation, but without details or evidence attached. It would be nice to know exactly what that was about.

There comes a point where it's impossible to feel sympathy for someone. Keep in mind: while they have regular visitors, and shrug off supposed "infection", these people are telling the Courts that they are serious about their animals and public safety.

And this happens all while they ask for donations.

Perhaps, once Dan returns from Bilderberg, Liberty Talk and Press For Truth can follow up.

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(1) Ostrich APPEAL Notice Of Appeal (May, 2025)
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(1) UOF APPEAL Motion Record To Stay Culling (June, 2025)
(2) UOF APPEAL Notice Of Motion To Stay Culling (June, 2025)
(3) UOF APPEAL Bilinski Affidavit To Stay Culling (June, 2025)
(4) UOF APPEAL Bilinski Affidavit Exhibit E June, 2025)
(5) UOF APPEAL Espersen Affidavit To Stay Culling (June, 2025)
(6) UOF APPEAL Moving Party Submissions To Stay Culling (June, 2025)
(7) UOF APPEAL Responding Motion Record Volume 1
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(1) UOF Order To Stay Culling (January, 2025)

(2) UOF Notice Of Appeal (February, 2025)
(3) UOF Notice Of Appearance (February, 2025)
(4) UOF Agreement Appeal Book Contents (March, 2025)
(5) UOF Joint Appeal Book (April, 2025)
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(7) UOF Notice Of Discontinuance (May, 2025)

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(1) Ostrich Notice Of Application Certified (January, 2025)
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(4) Ostrich Bilinski Affidavit (January, 2025)
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I’d like to know what they are provably infected with?